



U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20207

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September 10, 1999

CERTIFIED MAIL

Stanley W. Kallman  
Gennet, Kallmann, Antin & Robinson  
6 Campus Drive  
Parsippany, NJ 07054-4406

**Re: FOIA Request S9060010: Schumacher Electric Corporation Home/Auto Battery Charger  
Corrective Action or Recall File RP970103 and Investigation Report 990405CMC9020 and  
Consumer complaints H98C0131A and H9930010A**

Dear Mr. Kallman:

Thank you for your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking information from the Commission. The records from the Commission files responsive to your request have been processed and copies of the releasable responsive records are enclosed.

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Processing this request, performing the file searches and preparing the information, cost the Commission \$80.00. In this instance, we have decided to waive all of the charges. Thank you for your interest in consumer product safety.

Sincerely,

Todd A. Stevenson

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September 23, 1999

CERTIFIED MAIL

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Affiliated Engineering Laboratories, Inc.  
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Edison, NJ 08837-2856

**Re: FOIA Request S9080035: Schumacher Electric Corporation Home/Auto Battery Charger  
Corrective Action or Recall File RP970103 and Investigation Report 990405CMC9020 and  
Consumer complaints H98C0131A and H9930010A**

Dear Mr. Wharton:

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## Office of Compliance

Firm Name: Schumacher Electric Corp.  
File Number: RP970103  
Product: Home/Auto Battery Charger

MFR/PRVLR NOTIFIED  
Comments attached  
Excisions/Reasons  
Firm has not requested  
further notice

### CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN:

#### A. Notice:

Event:

☒\_X\_press release

☐\_direct mail ( %)

☒\_X\_point of purchase signs

☐\_advertising (describe)

☐\_other (describe)

Date:

4/22/97

4/97

#### B. Repair, replacement, refund:

☐\_repair approved by technical support

☒\_X\_replacement with product approved by technical support

☐\_refund

#### C. Procedures:

☒\_X\_Distribution chain recall

☒\_X\_mfr/importer level

☐\_wholesaler/distributor level

☒\_x\_retailer level

☒\_X\_consumer level

☐\_Mail in to firm

☒\_X\_Return to retailer

☐\_repair or replace

☐\_Home visit ☐\_At dealer ☐\_At Retailer

☐\_Home repair by consumer

☒\_X\_Toll-free line

☐\_Other (describe):

**Firm Name:** Schumacher Electric Corp.  
**File Number:** RP970103

D. Effectiveness:

Total Prod.: 100,000	Corrected: 32,000
At Manufacturer: 10,700	Corrected: 10,000
At Distributors:	Corrected:
At Retailers: 22,000	Corrected: 22,000
With Consumers: 68,000	Corrected:

E. Decision on corrective action:

☒ Accept CAP and Monitor  
☒ No Preliminary Determination Case  
☐ Accept CAP and Close File (provide rationale)  
☐ Pursue further remedial action (provide rationale)  
☐ Refer to CAL

CAP APPROVALS:

Compliance Officer *Adrian A. Cumbal* 4/30/97 Attorney

*Asst.* Director, CCA *Thomas J. Dolans* 4-30-97

AEDC

(Only if CAP or CAP & Close approval) *4/30/97*



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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20207

OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE

Division of  
Corrective Actions  
Tel: 301-504-0608  
Fax: 301-504-0359

MAY 01 1997

Certified Mail

Donald Schumacher  
Schumacher Electric Corp.  
7474 North Rogers  
Chicago, IL 60626

Re: CPSC RP970103  
Schumacher Electric Corp.  
Home/Auto Battery Charger

Dear Mr. Schumacher:

Thank you for your report of March 26, 1997 under section 15(b) of the Consumer Product Safety Act, as amended (CPSA), 15 U.S.C. § 2064(b), and for promptly initiating a corrective action plan to address the reported problem. In your report you indicated that a battery charger manufactured by your firm and sold as a Sears DieHard battery charger, model number 200.71310, has a wiring connection that could short and cause the transformer to overheat. This overheating may lead to a fire.

To address the problem, the firm has agreed to take the following action:

- 1) Recall the battery charger and offer consumers a free replacement,
- 2) Issue a joint press release with the CPSC,
- 3) Place in-store posters at Sears Auto Centers, Sears Hardware Stores, and Sears Dealerships,
- 4) Rework units with plan approved by CPSC staff and
- 5) Provide a toll-free 800 number for consumers.

The staff of the Office of Compliance of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission has reviewed the actions submitted by Schumacher Electric Corp. concerning the home/auto battery charger. Acting under delegation from the Commission, the staff

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has accepted the plan as adequate.


Please continue the corrective actions implemented and initiate any others contained in the plan accepted by the staff. The Division of Corrective Actions will be monitoring the firm's corrective action plan. Please submit **monthly** progress reports of the recall, using the enclosed form, to U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, Division of Corrective Actions, Tina Adeyeye, 4330 East West Highway, Room 613, Washington, D.C. 20207-0001 by the first of each month or fax to (301)504-0359. If you have any questions, please contact Tina Adeyeye on (301)504-0608 extension 1223. **Please reference the CPSC file number in your response.**

The Division of Corrective Actions will evaluate the effectiveness of the plan. The staff could seek broader corrective action if the corrective action plan does not prove effective.

If the firm receives or learns of any information concerning other incidents or injuries, or information affecting the scope, prevalence or seriousness of the reported problem, it must report that information to this Division immediately. Additionally, if the firm receives information which might indicate that its corrective actions are not satisfactory in eliminating the problem or that the effectiveness of the corrective action program is less than has been anticipated, it must report that information to this Division immediately.

When the firm determines the corrective action plan has been implemented to the best of its ability and as many products as possible have been removed from the marketplace, it may submit a final progress report, referencing the file number, and request that the file be closed. At that time the staff will review the plan's progress and decide whether the file should be closed.

Section 6(b)(1) requires the Commission to give notice thirty days in advance of the intended disclosure of information that identifies the manufacturer or private labeler of a product. The staff is enclosing a summary of the corrective action plan. The Commission publishes a list of product recalls and other corrective actions initiated by firms in an Annual Report to Congress. This information is also occasionally used in lists for specific product categories. This letter gives the firm its opportunity under section 6(b)(1) of the Consumer Product Safety Act (CPSA), 15 U.S.C. § 2055(b)(1), and 16 C.F.R. Part 1101, to comment on the accuracy of the information.

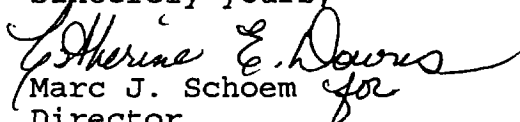




The staff has made every effort to assure that the enclosed information is accurate. If, however, the firm believes that the information is not accurate, please send comments to Catherine Anne Cumberland. The firm's comments must be received within twenty-three calendar days of your receipt of this certified letter if they are to be considered. Please include with any comments specific information to support any claim that the information is not accurate. If the Commission decides to disclose the information, unchanged, over any accuracy objections, it will give the firm ten (10) working days notice, as required by section 6(b)(2) of the CPSA, 15 U.S.C. § 2055(b)(2).

Thank you for your continued cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions, please contact Catherine Anne Cumberland, at: (301) 504-0608, extension 1364.

Sincerely yours,

  
Marc J. Schoem *for*

Director  
Division of Corrective Actions

Enclosures:

Corrective Action Summary  
Progress Report Form

cc: Consumer Product Safety Commission  
Central Regional Center  
Suite 2945  
230 S. Dearborn St.  
Chicago, IL 60604

Judith Hayes, CCA  
Tina Adeyeye, CCA

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Voluntary Corrective Action Plans Under Section 15  
of the Consumer Product Safety Act and  
Section 15 of the Federal Hazardous Substances Act

The following is a list of voluntary corrective action plans recently accepted by the Commission (or the staff acting under authority delegated by the Commission). A firm's taking corrective action does not constitute admission by the firm that a substantial product hazard exists.

Space does not permit the staff to give a complete list of the specific model numbers of the products involved in each of these corrective actions. Consumers who believe that they have a product affected by one of these actions should follow the instructions given in this list or contact either the manufacturer or the Commission to determine if their product is one of those affected.

**Voluntary Corrective Action Plans Under  
Section 15 of the Consumer Product Safety Act and  
Section 15 of the Federal Hazardous Substances Act**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>FIRM AND PRODUCT</b>	<b>ALLEGED HAZARD</b>	<b>REMEDY</b>
04/97	Shumacher Electric Corp. Chicago, IL 60626  Home/Auto Battery Charger, Sears Die Hard, #71310	Potential Fire	Recall and offer a free replacement, change future production, joint press release, in-store poster, toll-free 800 number

# CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN PROGRESS REPORT

For Period Ending:

Case # : RP970103 CO: Catherine Anne Cumberland

Company Name: Schumacher Electric Corp.

Product: Home/Auto Battery Charger

Total Affected:

## 1) PRODUCTS CORRECTED

Location of Products	Total Products	Corrections This Period	Total Corrections	%Corrected
With Manufacturer				
With Distributor				
With Retailers				
With Consumers				
Total				

## 2) CONSUMER AWARENESS OF PROGRAM

Type of Notification	This Reporting Period	Total
Bill Stuffer		
Direct Mail Letter		
Magazine		
Newspaper		
Other/Unknown		
Pediatrician Poster		
Phone Call		
Product Catalog		
Radio		
Retail Store Poster		
TV		
VNR		

## 3) Calls to 800 Number/Correspondence

	This Reporting Period	Total
800 Number		
Written Requests		

**Note:** Submit completed form by the 1st of each month to Tina Adeyeye at  
U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, Office of Compliance  
4330 East West Highway, Room 613  
Bethesda, MD 20814  
OR, fax to (301)504-0359. If you have any questions, please call Tina at (301)504-0608, ext 1223

# EXCE NEWS RELEASE REVIEW/CLEARANCE

DATE: 4-21-97

SUBJECT OF RELEASE: Schumacher Electric/Sears Die Hard Battery Charger

PROPOSED RELEASE DATE: 4-22-97

RECALL PRIORITY CLASS: X

SECTION 15 RECALL: X

CIVIL PENALTY SETTLEMENT: ☐

For additional information contact: Catherine Cumberland x1364

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY: Schumacher Electric manufactured approximately 100,00 Sears DieHard battery chargers that may overheat and lead to a fire. The battery chargers were manufactured and sold between January 1996 and February 1997. Consumers can return the battery charger for a free replacement.

X

The exact text of the proposed release has been negotiated with the firm. Any changes must be conveyed to EXCE for possible renegotiation with this firm.

Products available? X Yes No

Photos available? Yes X No

Clearance  
Office

Signature

Approve

Disapprove

Date

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Comp.  
Officer/Atty*Cumberland*

X

4/18/97

CE Dvsn.  
Director*C. Daous*

X

4-20-97

EXCE

*DS*

4/21/97

EXHR

*G. Elder*

✓

4/21/97

*jc*

EXPA

OGC

OEX

OGC and OEX should each return this form and the attached release to EXPA after it has been reviewed and initialed/signed.

The 6(b)6 column indicates clearance is in accordance with CPSC Directive 1450.2 concerning whether the information is accurate and not misleading.

1. STORAGE LOCATION

A.   
 B.   
 C.   
 D.

5. DATE SAMPLE RECEIVED

04/07/97

8. METHOD OF SHIPMENT   
 A. PERSONALLY FROM   
 B. VIA UPS

9. COMMENTS

2. NAME OF PRODUCT

Charger w/the Motorola diodes and

4. NAME AND ADDRESS OF FIRM

Schumacher Electric Corp.

7474 N. Rogers Ave.. Chicago. IL 60626- 312-973-1600

6. BY WHOM RECEIVED

Catherine Cumberland. CCA

3. SAMPLE NO.

97-793-0215

7. DATE RECORDS RECEIVED

C. SHIPPED FROM

D. SHIPPING RECORDS (Type and Identity)

10A. SAMPLE DISPOSITION INSTRUCTIONS AND REASON

B. NAME AND TITLE

C. DATE

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SAMPLE ACCOUNTABILITY RE   
 (Compliance Copy)

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U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission  
SAMPLE COLLECTION REPORT

1. Sample Flag  
FROM CORP.

2. Date Collected  
4/7/97

3. Sample Type and Number: 97-793-0215  
☒ Physical ☐ Documentary

4a. Product Name  
BATTERY CHARGER

4b Model  
71310

4c NEISS  
0816

5. Assignment Number

6. Complete for Import Samples  
Port of Entry:  
Country of Origin:  
Entry No. and Date:  
Customs Contact:

7. MIS  
32626

8. Hours  
Activity  
Travel

9a Home RO  
FOWR

9b Collecting RO

10. Sample Cost

11. Invoice Value of Lot

12. Size of Lot

Units

13. Manufacturer/Importer # SCH048  
SCHUMACHER ELECTRIC CORP.  
7474 N. ROGERS AVENUE  
CHICAGO, IL 60626

14. Shipper/Foreign Manufacturer

15. Dealer/Import Broker #

16. Supporting documents attached:

Invoice No. and Date:

Date Shipped:

Shipping Record and Date:

Affidavit Signer's name, title and date:

17. Product Identification:

Charger w/ the Motorola diodes and one Shot Thermal Cutout

18. Reason for collection/analysis needed: ☐ FHSA ☒ CPSC ☐ FFA ☐ PPPA ☐ RSA

19. Summary of Field Screening:

20. Sample size/Method of Collection:

UPS

21. Identification on sample:

" 97-793-0215

JAA 4/7/97

22. Identification on seal and date:

"

4/7/97 "

23a. Sample delivered to:

C. CUMBERLAND, CCA

23b Date

4/7/97

24. Report/Record Sent to:

FOWR

25. Laboratory/Office: LSHL \_\_\_ LSEL \_\_\_ CRM \_\_\_ CCA X Other

26. Remarks:

Mailed by Corp.

27. Related Samples:

28a Collector's name/title:

Compliance Officer

28b Collector's signature/date:

29a Reviewer's name/title:

29b Reviewer's signature/date:

ON ENVELOP



\*97-793-0215\*  
CPSC

## 1. STORAGE LOCATION

A. \_\_\_\_\_ C. \_\_\_\_\_  
B. \_\_\_\_\_ D. \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. NAME OF PRODUCT

Battery Chargers w/SY diodes

## 3. SAMPLE NO.

97-793-0214

## 4. NAME AND ADDRESS OF FIRM

Schumacher Electric Corp.

7474 N. Rogers Ave., Chicago, IL 60626 312-973-1600

## 5. DATE SAMPLE RECEIVED

04/07/97

## 6. BY WHOM RECEIVED

Catherine Cumberland, CCA

## 7. DATE RECORDS RECEIVED

8. METHOD A. PERSONALLY FROM  
OF SHIPMENT B. VIA  
SHIPMENT UPS

## C. SHIPPED FROM

## D. SHIPPING RECORDS (Type and Identity)

## 9. COMMENTS

## 10A. SAMPLE DISPOSITION INSTRUCTIONS AND REASON

## B. NAME AND TITLE

## C. DATE

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U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission  
SAMPLE COLLECTION REPORT

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FROM CORP.

2. Date Collected  
4/7/97

3. Sample Type and Number: 97-793-0214  
☐ Physical ☐ Documentary

4a. Product Name  
BATTERY CHARGERS

4b Model  
71310

4c NEISS  
0816

5. Assignment Number

6. Complete for Import Samples  
Port of Entry:  
Country of Origin:  
Entry No. and Date:  
Customs Contact:

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Activity  
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FOWR

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19. Summary of Field Screening:

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UPS

21. Identification on sample:

" 97-793-0214

JAA 4/7/97

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23b Date

4/7/97

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LSHL \_\_\_ LSEL \_\_\_ CRM \_\_\_ CCA X Other

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28b Collector's signature/date:

29a Reviewer's name/title:

29b Reviewer's signature/date:

ON COLLECTION REPORT  
(LAB COPY)



\*97-793-0214\*  
CPSC

Handwritten signature/initials

## 1. STORAGE LOCATION

A.   
 B.   
 C.   
 D.

## 2. NAME OF PRODUCT

Charger w/ the Motorola diodes and

## 3. SAMPLE NO.

97-793-0215

## 4. NAME AND ADDRESS OF FIRM

Schumacher Electric Corp.

7474 N. Rogers Ave.. Chicago. IL 60626- 312-973-1600

## 5. DATE SAMPLE RECEIVED

04/07/97

## 6. BY WHOM RECEIVED

Catherine Cumberland. CCA

## 7. DATE RECORDS RECEIVED

8. METHOD A. PERSONALLY FROM  
OF B. VIA  
SHIPMENT UPS

## C. SHIPPED FROM

## D. SHIPPING RECORDS (Type and Identity)

9. DESCRIPTION OF SHIPMENT  
A. SHIPPING CONTAINERS  
B. SAMPLE PACKAGES  
C. SEAL INSCRIPTION

## TYPE

Model 71310 Charger w/ The Motorola diodes

## SIZE, TYPE, ETC.

CONDITION  
New  
CONDITION  
CONDITION

## 10. SAMPLE DELIVERY

DATE AMOUNT FROM TO DATE

## 11. SAMPLE RETURNED

AMOUNT TO FROM

## 12A. SAMPLE DISPOSITION

\* TO warehouse 1/27/98 \*

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## B. BY WHOM C. DATE

SAMPLE ACCOUNTABILITY RECO:  
(Custodian Copy)

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# RECALL EFFECTIVENESS CHECK - SUMMARY

1. TO: CCA ATTN: Recall Coordinator
2. RN/ID #
3. MIS:
4. FROM: MARTIN O. JONES  
INVESTIGATOR CDHD OFFICE
5. HOURS EXPENDED 20 min TRAVEL 10
6. TYPE OF FOLLOW-UP: ☒ ON-SITE ☐ TELEPHONE
7. DATE INSPECTED July 10, 1997
8. FIRM INSPECTED: Name SEARS  
Address BOISE ID 83
9. FIRM INITIATING THE RECALL: Name Schumacher Electric  
Address Chicago, IL
10. PRODUCT RECALLED: Battery Charger
11. HAZARD: Fire
12. TYPE OF CONSIGNEE: ☐ Wholesaler ☒ Retailer ☐ Consumer ☐ Other (Specify)
13. PERSON(S) INTERVIEWED: Name & Title Ginger (Sales Rep.)  
Name & Title
14. WAS FIRM NOTIFIED OF RECALL? ☐ No ☒ Yes METHOD & DATE OF NOTIFICATION Corporate mail 4/17/97  
RECALL NOTIFICATION PRESENTED TO INVESTIGATOR ☐ No ☒ Yes (Notice date)
15. DID FIRM FOLLOW RECALL INSTRUCTIONS? ☐ N/A ☐ No ☒ Yes  
WAS PRODUCT TAKEN OFF SALE? ☐ No ☒ Yes Date 4/17/97
16. WAS SUB-RECALL INVOLVED? ☒ N/A ☐ No ☐ Yes (If "Yes" discuss details/mechanism under "REMARKS")
17. WERE RECALL/REPURCHASE OR CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN NOTIFICATION SIGNS POSTED? ☐ N/A ☐ No ☒ Yes
18. INVENTORY OF RECALLED PRODUCT:
  - a. Initial inventory received of the recalled product
  - b. Inventory at time of notification
  - c. Inventory at time of inspection
  - d. Number of returns
19. DISPOSITION OF RECALLED PRODUCT: returned  
NUMBER OF PRODUCTS DISPOSED: 0
20. INJURIES OR COMPLAINTS: ☐ N/A ☒ None ☐ Yes (Report by separate memo)
21. REMARKS:

22.

23. ENDORSEMENT:

Martin O Jones 7/10/97 INVESTIGATOR AND DATE

7/10/97

Martin O Jones 7/10/97 SUPERVISOR AND DATE

## RECALL EFFECTIVENESS CHECK -- SUMMARY

1. TO: [CPSC-CCA] ATTN: Recall Coordinator  
Catherine A. Cumberland, Comp. Officer

2. RN/ID #RP970103 STI #

3. MIS: 32 626

4. FROM: [Kenneth G. Felton]  
INVESTIGATOR [CPSC-FOWR] OFFICE

5. HOURS EXPENDED [3.0 Hours] TRAVEL [1.0 Hour]

6. TYPE OF FOLLOW-UP: [XXX] ON-SITE [XXX] TELEPHONE 7. DATE INSPECTED: On-Site- 6-16-97/Phone- 6-17-97

**8. FIRM INSPECTED:**

Name: Sears, Roebuck & Co.

Address: 660 W. Winton Ave.

City/State/Zip: Hayward, CA 94545

**9. FIRM INITIATING THE RECALL:**

Name: Schumacher Electric Corp.

Address: 7474 N. Rogers Avenue

City/State/Zip: Chicago, IL 60626

10. PRODUCT RECALLED: Battery Charger (for Die Hard Battery); Model #200.7310

11. HAZARD: Potential Fire Hazard; Wiring connection problem.

2. TYPE OF CONSIGNEE: [ ] Wholesaler [XXX] Retailer [ ] Consumer [ ] Other (Specify)

13. PERSON(S) INTERVIEWED: Name & Title: Denise Parry, Store Manager (Phone: 510-784-5290)  
Name & Title:

14. WAS FIRM NOTIFIED OF RECALL? [ ] No [XXX] Yes METHOD & DATE OF NOTIFICATION: Letter rec'd about 3 weeks ago, best of her memory. Whereabouts of this letter is not known.  
RECALL NOTIFICATION PRESENTED TO INVESTIGATOR? [XXX] No [ ] Yes (Notice Date):

15. DID FIRM FOLLOW RECALL INSTRUCTIONS? [ ] N/A [ ] No [XXX] Yes  
WAS PRODUCT TAKEN OFF SALE? [ ] No [XXX] Yes Date: Upon receipt of recall letter.

16. WAS SUB-RECALL INVOLVED? [ ] N/A [ ] No [XXX] Yes (If "Yes" discuss details/mechanism under "REMARKS")

17. WERE RECALL/REPURCHASE OR CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN NOTIFICATION SIGNS POSTED? [ ] N/A [ ] No [XXX] Yes

**18. INVENTORY OF RECALLED PRODUCT:**

a. Initial inventory received of the recalled product: 1 unit

b. Inventory at time of notification: 1 unit

c. Inventory at time of inspection: zero

d. Number of returns: zero from consumers

19. DISPOSITION OF RECALLED PRODUCT: returned to firm (conducting this recall)

NUMBER OF PRODUCTS DISPOSED: 1 unit (in inventory @time of notification)

20. INJURIES OR COMPLAINTS: [ ] N/A [XXX] None [ ] Yes (Report by separate memo)

**21. REMARKS:**

Four units of the same model number (#200.7310) were found in inventory, during this inspection. Removing these four units from each box and checking the lot codes reveals that these units are not of the lot codes that are under recall.

22. INVESTIGATOR AND DATE: [ Kenneth G. Felton, CPSC-FOWR ] [ 6/17/97 ]

**23. ENDORSEMENT:**

SUPERVISOR AND DATE:

*Effective*

*O. CCA [Adviser]  
CC: SP20 (LLO)*

*[Signature]*

*6-19-97*

U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

NOTICE OF INSPECTION

1. DATE

6-16-97

3. FROM (Area Office and Address)

Western Regional Office  
600 Harrison Street, Room #245  
San Francisco, CA 94107

2. TIME

3:50 P.M.

(415) 744-2966

A. NAME AND TITLE OF INDIVIDUAL

Denise Parry, store Manager

B. FIRM NAME

Sears, Roebuck and Company

4. TO

C. NUMBER AND STREET ADDRESS

660 W. Winton Ave.

D. CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE

Hayward, California 94545

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**SEARS**

Denise Parry  
GARY PHIPPS  
Store Manager

SEARS, ROEBUCK AND CO.  
Southland Mall  
660 W. Winton Ave  
Hayward, CA 94545

AUTO CENTER  
Tel 510-784-5290  
Fax 510-783-5751

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7. SIGNATURE (Authorized CPSC Official)

Kenneth R. Felton

**RECALL EFFECTIVENESS CHECK -- SUMMARY**

1. TO: [CCA ] ATTN: Recall Coordinator  
T. ADEYEYE

2. RN/ID # STI 970528CCA4310

3. MIS: 32626

4. FROM: [PAMELA ROBINSON ]

5. HOURS EXPENDED [ 1 ] TRAVEL [ 1 ]

INVESTIGATOR [ MASC ] OFFICE

6. TYPE OF FOLLOW-UP: [ XX ] ON-SITE [ ] TELEPHONE

7. DATE INSPECTED:  
8/6/97

**8. FIRM INSPECTED:**

Name: SEARS AUTOMOTIVE CENTER

Address: RT. 38 & LENOLA RD.

City/State/Zip: MOORESTOWN, NJ 08057

**9. FIRM INITIATING THE RECALL:**

Name: SCHUMACHER ELECTRIC CORP.

Address: 7474 N. ROGERS AVE.

CHICAGO, IL 60626

**10. PRODUCT RECALLED:**

SEARS DIE-HARD BATTERY CHARGERS

**11. HAZARD:**

POTENTIAL FIRE HAZARD

12. TYPE OF CONSIGNEE: [ ] Wholesaler [XX ] Retailer [ ] Consumer [ ] Other (Specify)

13. PERSON(S) INTERVIEWED: Name & Title: MIKE CAMPANA, SALES ASSOC.  
Name & Title:

14. WAS FIRM NOTIFIED OF RECALL? [ ] No [ XX ] Yes METHOD & DATE OF NOTIFICATION: APPROX. 2 MOS. AGO BY E-MAIL

RECALL NOTIFICATION PRESENTED TO INVESTIGATOR? [ XX ] No [ ] Yes (Notice Date):

15. DID FIRM FOLLOW RECALL INSTRUCTIONS? [ ] N/A [ ] No [ XX ] Yes

WAS PRODUCT TAKEN OFF SALE? [ ] No [ XX ] Yes Date: IMMEDIATELY

16. WAS SUB-RECALL INVOLVED? [ XX ] N/A [ ] No [ ] Yes (If "Yes" discuss details/mechanism under "REMARKS")

17. WERE RECALL/REPURCHASE OR CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN NOTIFICATION SIGNS POSTED? [ ] N/A [ ] No [ XX ] Yes

**18. INVENTORY OF RECALLED PRODUCT:**

a. Initial inventory received of the recalled product:

UNKNOWN

b. Inventory at time of notification:

APPROX. 100 UNITS

c. Inventory at time of inspection:

0

d. Number of returns:

0

19. DISPOSITION OF RECALLED PRODUCT: ALL AFFECTED UNITS WERE SENT BACK TO MANUFACTURER

NUMBER OF PRODUCTS DISPOSED:

20. INJURIES OR COMPLAINTS: [ ] N/A [XX ] None [ ] Yes (Report by separate memo)

**21. REMARKS:**

VISUAL INSPECTION OF THIS SITE REVEALED THAT A RECALL POSTER WAS PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED IN THE AREA WHERE THIS TYPE PRODUCT IS SOLD. NONE OF THE AFFECTED UNITS WERE BEING OFFERED FOR SALE.

22. INVESTIGATOR AND DATE: [ PAMELA ROBINSON

] [ 8 /13 /97]

**23. ENDORSEMENT:**

SUPERVISOR AND DATE: [

] [ / / ]

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5. HOURS EXPENDED [ 1 ] TRAVEL [ 1 ]
- INVESTIGATOR [ MASC ] OFFICE
6. TYPE OF FOLLOW-UP: [ XX ] ON-SITE [ ] TELEPHONE
7. DATE INSPECTED:  
8/6/97
8. FIRM INSPECTED:  
Name: SEARS AUTOMOTIVE CENTER  
Address: RT. 38 & LENOLA RD.  
City/State/Zip: MOORESTOWN, NJ 08057
9. FIRM INITIATING THE RECALL:  
Name: SCHUMACHER ELECTRIC CORP.  
Address: 7474 N. ROGERS AVE.  
CHICAGO, IL 60626
10. PRODUCT RECALLED:  
SEARS DIE-HARD BATTERY CHARGERS
11. HAZARD:  
POTENTIAL FIRE HAZARD
12. TYPE OF CONSIGNEE: [ ] Wholesaler [XX] Retailer [ ] Consumer [ ] Other (Specify)
13. PERSON(S) INTERVIEWED: Name & Title: MIKE CAMPANA, SALES ASSOC.  
Name & Title:
14. WAS FIRM NOTIFIED OF RECALL? [ ] No [ XX ] Yes METHOD & DATE OF NOTIFICATION: APPROX. 2 MOS. AGO BY E-MAIL  
RECALL NOTIFICATION PRESENTED TO INVESTIGATOR? [ XX ] No [ ] Yes (Notice Date):
15. DID FIRM FOLLOW RECALL INSTRUCTIONS? [ ] N/A [ ] No [ XX ] Yes  
WAS PRODUCT TAKEN OFF SALE? [ ] No [ XX ] Yes Date: IMMEDIATELY
16. WAS SUB-RECALL INVOLVED? [ XX ] N/A [ ] No [ ] Yes (If "Yes" discuss details/mechanism under "REMARKS")
17. WERE RECALL/REPURCHASE OR CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN NOTIFICATION SIGNS POSTED? [ ] N/A [ ] No [ XX ] Yes
18. INVENTORY OF RECALLED PRODUCT:
- a. Initial inventory received of the recalled product: UNKNOWN
- b. Inventory at time of notification: APPROX. 100 UNITS
- c. Inventory at time of inspection: 0
- d. Number of returns: 0
19. DISPOSITION OF RECALLED PRODUCT: ALL AFFECTED UNITS WERE SENT BACK TO MANUFACTURER
- NUMBER OF PRODUCTS DISPOSED:
20. INJURIES OR COMPLAINTS: [ ] N/A [XX] None [ ] Yes (Report by separate memo)
21. REMARKS:  
VISUAL INSPECTION OF THIS SITE REVEALED THAT A RECALL POSTER WAS PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED IN THE AREA WHERE THIS TYPE PRODUCT IS SOLD. NONE OF THE AFFECTED UNITS WERE BEING OFFERED FOR SALE.
22. INVESTIGATOR AND DATE: [ PAMELA ROBINSON ] [ 8 / 13 / 97 ]
23. ENDORSEMENT:

SUPERVISOR AND DATE: [

] [ / / ]

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# REC L EFFECTIVENESS CHECK -- SUMMARY

CCA

1. TO: [ CCA ] ATTN: Recall Coordinator

2. 970528CCA4304

3. MIS: 32626

4. FROM: Benedict Fink

5. HOURS EXPENDED [ 2 ] TRAVEL [ 2 ]

INVESTIGATOR [ PIT ] OFFICE

6. TYPE OF FOLLOW-UP: [ X ] ON-SITE [ ] TELEPHONE

7. DATE INSPECTED:

6/24/97

8. FIRM INSPECTED:

Name: Sears #6564

Address: Westmoreland Mall

City/State/Zip: Greensburg, PA 15601

9. FIRM INITIATING THE RECALL:

Name: Schumacher Electric Corp.

Address:

City/State/Zip: Chicago, IL 60626

10. PRODUCT RECALLED:

Sears model #200.71310 battery charger

11. HAZARD:

Potential fire hazard

12. TYPE OF CONSIGNEE: [ ] Wholesaler [ X ] Retailer [ ] Consumer [ ] Other (Specify)

13. PERSON(S) INTERVIEWED: Name & Title: Harry Hoffman, Automotive Mgr.

Name & Title:

14. WAS FIRM NOTIFIED OF RECALL? [ ] No [ X ] Yes METHOD & DATE OF NOTIFICATION: e-mail 3/17/97

RECALL NOTIFICATION PRESENTED TO INVESTIGATOR? [ ] No [ X ] Yes (Notice Date): 3/17/97 & 4/21/97

15. DID FIRM FOLLOW RECALL INSTRUCTIONS? [ ] N/A [ ] No [ X ] Yes

WAS PRODUCT TAKEN OFF SALE? [ ] No [ X ] Yes Date: 3/17/97

16. WAS SUB-RECALL INVOLVED? [ ] N/A [ X ] No [ ] Yes (If "Yes" discuss details/mechanism under "REMARKS")

17. WERE RECALL/REPURCHASE OR CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN NOTIFICATION SIGNS POSTED? [ ] N/A [ ] No [ X ] Yes

18. INVENTORY OF RECALLED PRODUCT:

a. Initial inventory received of the recalled product: 50 (estimated)

b. Inventory at time of notification: 21

c. Inventory at time of inspection: 0

d. Number of returns: 0

19. DISPOSITION OF RECALLED PRODUCT: Returned to Schumacher

NUMBER OF PRODUCTS DISPOSED: 21

20. INJURIES OR COMPLAINTS: [ ] N/A [ X ] None [ ] Yes (Report by separate memo)

21. REMARKS: The firm received a "stop sale" order via e-mail on 3/17/97 and complete recall instructions via e-mail on 4/21/97.

22. INVESTIGATOR AND DATE: Benedict Fink

[ 6 /26/97 ]

23. ENDORSEMENT:

effective

SUPERVISOR AND DATE: [ B. Fink ]

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# REC L EFFECTIVENESS CHECK -- SU' MARY

CCA

1. TO: [ CCA ] ATTN: Recall Coordinator

2. 970528CCA4305

3. MIS: 32626

4. FROM: Benedict Fink

5. HOURS EXPENDED [ 2 ] TRAVEL [ 2 ]

INVESTIGATOR [ PIT ] OFFICE

6. TYPE OF FOLLOW-UP: [ X ] ON-SITE [ ] TELEPHONE

7. DATE INSPECTED:

6/24/97

8. FIRM INSPECTED:

Name: Sears #6044

Address: Wm. Penn Highway

City/State/Zip: Pittsburgh, PA 15235

9. FIRM INITIATING THE RECALL:

Name: Schumacher Electric Corp.

Address:

City/State/Zip: Chicago, IL 60626

10. PRODUCT RECALLED:

Sears model #200.71310 battery charger

11. HAZARD:

Potential fire hazard

12. TYPE OF CONSIGNEE: [ ] Wholesaler [ X ] Retailer [ ] Consumer [ ] Other (Specify)

13. PERSON(S) INTERVIEWED: Name & Title: Harry Funalock Automotive Mgr.

Name & Title:

14. WAS FIRM NOTIFIED OF RECALL? [ ] No [ X ] Yes METHOD & DATE OF NOTIFICATION: e-mail 3/17/97

RECALL NOTIFICATION PRESENTED TO INVESTIGATOR? [ ] No [ X ] Yes (Notice Date): 3/17/97 & 4/21/97

15. DID FIRM FOLLOW RECALL INSTRUCTIONS? [ ] N/A [ ] No [ X ] Yes

WAS PRODUCT TAKEN OFF SALE? [ ] No [ X ] Yes Date: 3/17/97

16. WAS SUB-RECALL INVOLVED? [ ] N/A [ X ] No [ ] Yes (If "Yes" discuss details/mechanism under "REMARKS")

17. WERE RECALL/REPURCHASE OR CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN NOTIFICATION SIGNS POSTED? [ ] N/A [ ] No [ X ] Yes

18. INVENTORY OF RECALLED PRODUCT:

a. Initial inventory received of the recalled product: 60 (estimated)

b. Inventory at time of notification: 5

c. Inventory at time of inspection: 0

d. Number of returns: UNK

19. DISPOSITION OF RECALLED PRODUCT: Returned to Schumacher

NUMBER OF PRODUCTS DISPOSED: 5

20. INJURIES OR COMPLAINTS: [ ] N/A [ X ] None [ ] Yes (Report by separate memo)

21. REMARKS: The firm received a "stop sale" order via e-mail on 3/17/97 and complete recall instructions via e-mail on 4/21/97.

22. INVESTIGATOR AND DATE: Benedict Fink

[ 6 /26/97 ]

23. ENDORSEMENT:

Effective

SUPERVISOR AND DATE: [ B. Fink ]

[ 7/1/97 ]

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# RECALL EFFECTIVENESS CHECK - SUMMARY

1. TO: MR. Robert C. Okarski ATTN: Recall Coordinator
2. RN/ID # STI# 970528 CCA 430
3. MIS: 32626
4. FROM: Willie L. Brown Jr. INVESTIGATOR MS OFFICE
5. HOURS EXPENDED 1 TRAVEL 2.5
6. TYPE OF FOLLOW-UP: ☒ ON-SITE ☐ TELEPHONE
7. DATE INSPECTED 6-12-97
8. FIRM INSPECTED: Name Sears # 6898 Address 1001 Beans Crossing, Super MS
9. FIRM INITIATING THE RECALL: Name Schumacher Electric Corp. Address Chicago, IL
10. PRODUCT RECALLED Van Battery Charger
11. HAZARD: Fire Hazard
12. TYPE OF CONSIGNEE: ☐ Wholesaler ☒ Retailer ☐ Consumer ☐ Other (Specify)
13. PERSON(S) INTERVIEWED: Name & Title Mr. Raspberry Basil - Manager  
Name & Title
14. WAS FIRM NOTIFIED OF RECALL? ☐ No ☒ Yes METHOD & DATE OF NOTIFICATION E-Mail  
RECALL NOTIFICATION PRESENTED TO INVESTIGATOR ☐ No ☐ Yes (Notice date)
15. DID FIRM FOLLOW RECALL INSTRUCTIONS? ☐ N/A ☐ No ☒ Yes  
WAS PRODUCT TAKEN OFF SALE? ☐ No ☒ Yes Date
16. WAS SUB-RECALL INVOLVED? ☐ N/A ☒ No ☐ Yes (If "Yes" discuss details/mechanism under "REMARKS")
17. WERE RECALL/REPURCHASE OR CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN NOTIFICATION SIGNS POSTED? ☐ N/A ☐ No ☒ Yes
18. INVENTORY OF RECALLED PRODUCT:
  - a. Initial inventory received of the recalled product 12
  - b. Inventory at time of notification 8
  - c. Inventory at time of inspection 0
  - d. Number of returns 12
19. DISPOSITION OF RECALLED PRODUCT: Returned.  
NUMBER OF PRODUCTS DISPOSED: 12
20. INJURIES OR COMPLAINTS: ☐ N/A ☒ None ☐ Yes (Report by separate memo)
21. REMARKS:

22. Willie L. Brown Jr. 6-12-97 INVESTIGATOR AND DATE

23. ENDORSEMENT: Recall Conducted

Robert C. Okarski MS FOC  
7/25/97

SUPERVISOR AND DATE

U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

NOTICE OF INSPECTION

1. DATE

6-12-97

3. FROM (Area Office and Address)

US Consumer Product Safety Commission  
230 South Dearborn St., Suite 2944  
Chicago Ill 60604

2. TIME

9:38 A.M. P.M.

A. NAME AND TITLE OF INDIVIDUAL

~~Paul Hansen~~ Basil Automotive Manager

B. FIRM NAME

Sears # 6898

4. TO C. NUMBER AND STREET ADDRESS

1001 Bears Crossing Rd

D. CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE

Tuscola MS 38801

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7. SIGNATURE (Authorized CPSC Official)

Walter L. Brown Jr.

CPSC Form 296 (8/78)

190-22-30/80004

# RECALL EFFECTIVENESS CHECK - SUMMARY

1. TO: ATTN: Recall Coordinator
2. RN/ID # STI #
3. MIS: 32626
4. FROM: Robert C. Okareski  
William L. Brown Jr.  
INVESTIGATOR MS OFFICE
5. HOURS EXPENDED 1 TRAVEL .20
6. TYPE OF FOLLOW-UP: ☒ ON-SITE ☐ TELEPHONE
7. DATE INSPECTED 6-19-97
8. FIRM INSPECTED: Name Sears #6393  
Address 1400 Metro Center  
Jackson, MS 39206
9. FIRM INITIATING THE RECALL: Name Schumacher Elect. Corp  
Address Chicago IL
10. PRODUCT RECALLED Diehard Battery Charger
11. HAZARD: Fire Hazard
12. TYPE OF CONSIGNEE: ☐ Wholesaler ☒ Retailer ☐ Consumer ☐ Other (Specify)
13. PERSON(S) INTERVIEWED: Name & Title Benjamin White, Manager-Assst  
Name & Title
14. WAS FIRM NOTIFIED OF RECALL? ☐ No ☒ Yes METHOD & DATE OF NOTIFICATION E-mail  
RECALL NOTIFICATION PRESENTED TO INVESTIGATOR ☐ No ☒ Yes (Notice date) May 20-97
15. DID FIRM FOLLOW RECALL INSTRUCTIONS? ☐ N/A ☐ No ☒ Yes  
WAS PRODUCT TAKEN OFF SALE? ☐ No ☒ Yes Date May 20-97
16. WAS SUB-RECALL INVOLVED? ☐ N/A ☐ No ☒ Yes (If "Yes" discuss details/  
mechanism under "REMARKS")
17. WERE RECALL/REPURCHASE OR CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN NOTIFICATION SIGNS POSTED? ☐ N/A ☐ No ☒ Yes
18. INVENTORY OF RECALLED PRODUCT:
  - a. Initial inventory received of the recalled product 10
  - b. Inventory at time of notification 3
  - c. Inventory at time of inspection 0
  - d. Number of returns 2
19. DISPOSITION OF RECALLED PRODUCT: Destroyed + Shipped Back  
NUMBER OF PRODUCTS DISPOSED: 2
20. INJURIES OR COMPLAINTS: ☐ N/A ☒ None ☐ Yes (Report by separate memo)
21. REMARKS:

22. William L. Brown Jr. 6-19-97 INVESTIGATOR AND DATE

23. ENDORSEMENT: Recall Conducted

Robert C. Okareski PRO FOR 7/25/97

SUPERVISOR AND DATE

## U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

## NOTICE OF INSPECTION

1. DATE

6-19-97

3. FROM (Area Office and Address)

US Consumer Product Safety Commission  
230 South Dearborn St. Suite 2944  
Chicago IL 60604

2. TIME

9:30 A.M. P.M.

A. NAME AND TITLE OF INDIVIDUAL

Benjamin White Asst-Manager.

B. FIRM NAME

4. TO

C. NUMBER AND STREET ADDRESS

Sears #6393  
1400 Metro Center

D. CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE

Jackson, MS 39206

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7. SIGNATURE (Authorized CPSC Official)

Walter L. Brown Jr.

CPSC Form 208 (9/79)

\*U.S. GPO: 1982-2-384/60004

# RECALL EFFECTIVENESS CHECK - SUMMARY

1. TO: ATTN: Recall Coordinator  
*Robert T. C. Oskarski*
2. RN/ID # STI # *970528CCA4306*
3. MIS: *32626*
4. FROM: *Willie L. Brown*  
INVESTIGATOR *MS* OFFICE
5. HOURS EXPENDED *1* TRAVEL *3*
6. TYPE OF FOLLOW-UP: ☒ ON-SITE ☐ TELEPHONE
7. DATE INSPECTED *6-16-97*
8. FIRM INSPECTED: Name *Hears 6866*  
Address *2600 Beach B*  
*Biloxi MS*
9. FIRM INITIATING THE RECALL: Name *Schumacher Elect Corp*  
Address *Chicago IL*
10. PRODUCT RECALLED: *Die Hard Battery Charger*
11. HAZARD: *Fire*
12. TYPE OF CONSIGNEE: ☐ Wholesaler ☒ Retailer ☐ Consumer ☐ Other (Specify)
13. PERSON(S) INTERVIEWED: Name & Title *Steven Blum*  
Name & Title
14. WAS FIRM NOTIFIED OF RECALL? ☐ No ☒ Yes METHOD & DATE OF NOTIFICATION *E. mail 6-17-97*  
RECALL NOTIFICATION PRESENTED TO INVESTIGATOR ☐ No ☒ Yes (Notice date) *6-17-97*
15. DID FIRM FOLLOW RECALL INSTRUCTIONS? ☒ N/A ☐ No ☒ Yes  
WAS PRODUCT TAKEN OFF SALE? ☐ No ☐ Yes Date *6-17-97*
16. WAS SUB-RECALL INVOLVED? ☐ N/A ☒ No ☐ Yes (If "Yes" discuss details/mechanism under "REMARKS")
17. WERE RECALL/REPURCHASE OR CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN NOTIFICATION SIGNS POSTED? ☐ N/A ☐ No ☒ Yes
18. INVENTORY OF RECALLED PRODUCT:
  - a. Initial inventory received of the recalled product *12*
  - b. Inventory at time of notification *0*
  - c. Inventory at time of inspection *0*
  - d. Number of returns *9*
19. DISPOSITION OF RECALLED PRODUCT: *Destroyed*  
NUMBER OF PRODUCTS DISPOSED: *9*
20. INJURIES OR COMPLAINTS: ☐ N/A ☒ None ☐ Yes (Report by separate memo)
21. REMARKS:

22. *Willie Brown 6-13-97* INVESTIGATOR AND DATE

23. ENDORSEMENT: *Recall Conducted*

*Robert T. C. Oskarski*  
*7/25/97*

SUPERVISOR AND DATE

U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

NOTICE OF INSPECTION

1. DATE

6-16-97

3. FROM (Area Office and Address)

US Consumer Product Safety Commission  
230 South Dearborn St. Suite 2944  
Chicago Ill 60604

2. TIME

9:28 A.M. — P.M.

A. NAME AND TITLE OF INDIVIDUAL

Steven Blum Manager

B. FIRM NAME

Sears 6866

4. TO

C. NUMBER AND STREET ADDRESS

2600 Beach Blvd.

D. CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE

Bloomington MS 39530

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William L. Brown Jr.

CPSC Form 206 (9/78)

# RECALL EFFECTIVENESS CHECK - SUMMARY

1. TO: ATTN: Recall Coordinator
2. RN/ID # STI # 97052BCCA 4306
3. MIS: 32626
4. FROM: Robert C. Otkarski  
WILLIE L. BROWN, JR.  
INVESTIGATOR MIS OFFICE
5. HOURS EXPENDED 1 TRAVEL 3
6. TYPE OF FOLLOW-UP: ☒ ON-SITE ☐ TELEPHONE
7. DATE INSPECTED 6-18-97
8. FIRM INSPECTED: Name Sears 6863  
Address 2800 Hwy 90  
Shantel MS 39553
9. FIRM INITIATING THE RECALL: Name Schumacher Elect. Corp  
Address Chicago, IL
10. PRODUCT RECALLED One hood Battery Charger
11. HAZARD: Fire Hazard
12. TYPE OF CONSIGNEE: ☐ Wholesaler ☒ Retailer ☐ Consumer ☐ Other (Specify)
13. PERSON(S) INTERVIEWED: Name & Title Mr. Helen Foster -  
Name & Title
14. WAS FIRM NOTIFIED OF RECALL? ☐ No ☒ Yes METHOD & DATE OF NOTIFICATION E mail  
RECALL NOTIFICATION PRESENTED TO INVESTIGATOR ☐ No ☒ Yes (Notice date) 4-97
15. DID FIRM FOLLOW RECALL INSTRUCTIONS? ☐ N/A ☐ No ☒ Yes  
WAS PRODUCT TAKEN OFF SALE? ☐ No ☒ Yes Date 4-97
16. WAS SUB-RECALL INVOLVED? ☐ N/A ☒ No ☐ Yes (If "Yes" discuss details/mechanism under "REMARKS")
17. WERE RECALL/REPURCHASE OR CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN NOTIFICATION SIGNS POSTED? ☐ N/A ☐ No ☒ Yes
18. INVENTORY OF RECALLED PRODUCT:
  - a. Initial inventory received of the recalled product 8
  - b. Inventory at time of notification 0
  - c. Inventory at time of inspection 8
  - d. Number of returns
19. DISPOSITION OF RECALLED PRODUCT: Returned to Company  
NUMBER OF PRODUCTS DISPOSED: 8
20. INJURIES OR COMPLAINTS: ☐ N/A ☒ None ☐ Yes (Report by separate memo)
21. REMARKS:

22. WILLIE L. BROWN, JR. 6-18-97 INVESTIGATOR AND DATE

23. ENDORSEMENT: Recall Complete

Robert C. Otkarski PRO FOC  
7/25/97

SUPERVISOR AND DATE



U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

NOTICE OF INSPECTION

1. DATE

6-18-97

3. FROM (Area Office and Address)

US Consumer Product Safety Commission  
230 South Dearborn Street-Suite 2944  
Chicago Ill 60604

2. TIME

10:40 A.M. \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.

A. NAME AND TITLE OF INDIVIDUAL

Alan Foster Manager

B. FIRM NAME

Sears 6836

4. TO

C. NUMBER AND STREET ADDRESS

2800 Huron 90

D. CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE

Sanctier MS 39553

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• Federal Trade Commission Act (15 U.S.C. 41 *et seq.*);

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CPSC Form 296 (9/78)

\*U.S. GPO: 1977-422-00004

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1. TO: ATTN: Recall Coordinator
2. RN/ID # STI # 970528CCA 4306
3. MIS: 32626
4. FROM: Robert C Olski  
Willie L. Brown Jr  
INVESTIGATOR MS OFFICE
5. HOURS EXPENDED TRAVEL
6. TYPE OF FOLLOW-UP: ☒ ON-SITE ☐ TELEPHONE
7. DATE INSPECTED 6-11-97
8. FIRM Name: Sears 6596  
INSPECTED: Address: 1404 Old Aberdeen Rd  
Columbus MS 39701
9. FIRM Name: Schumacher Electric Corp  
INITIATING Address: Chicago, IL  
THE RECALL:
10. PRODUCT RECALLED: Die Hand Battery Charger
11. HAZARD: Fire
12. TYPE OF CONSIGNEE: ☐ Wholesaler ☒ Retailer ☐ Consumer ☐ Other (Specify)
13. PERSON(S) INTERVIEWED: Name & Title: Ron Palvinson Automotive Manager  
Name & Title:
14. WAS FIRM NOTIFIED OF RECALL? ☐ No ☒ Yes METHOD & DATE OF NOTIFICATION E mail  
RECALL NOTIFICATION PRESENTED TO INVESTIGATOR ☒ No ☐ Yes (Notice date)
15. DID FIRM FOLLOW RECALL INSTRUCTIONS? ☐ N/A ☐ No ☒ Yes  
WAS PRODUCT TAKEN OFF SALE? ☐ No ☐ Yes Date April 97
16. WAS SUB-RECALL INVOLVED? ☐ N/A ☒ No ☐ Yes (If "Yes" discuss details/mechanism under "REMARKS")
17. WERE RECALL/REPURCHASE OR CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN NOTIFICATION SIGNS POSTED? ☐ N/A ☒ No ☐ Yes
18. INVENTORY OF RECALLED PRODUCT:
  - a. Initial inventory received of the recalled product 11
  - b. Inventory at time of notification 11
  - c. Inventory at time of inspection 0
  - d. Number of returns 11
19. DISPOSITION OF RECALLED PRODUCT: Returned
- NUMBER OF PRODUCTS DISPOSED:
20. INJURIES OR COMPLAINTS: ☐ N/A ☒ None ☐ Yes (Report by separate memo)
21. REMARKS:

22. INVESTIGATOR AND DATE  
 23. ENDORSEMENT: Recall Conducted

PA [Signature] PHO [Signature] 7/25/97  
 SUPERVISOR AND DATE

U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

NOTICE OF INSPECTION

1. DATE

6-11-97

3. FROM (Area Office and Address)

US Consumer Product Safety Commission  
230 South Dearborn St. - Suite 2944  
Chicago Ill 60604

2. TIME

A.M. 3:00 P.M.

A. NAME AND TITLE OF INDIVIDUAL

Ron Robinson Auto-Manager.

B. FIRM NAME

Hears 6596

4. TO

C. NUMBER AND STREET ADDRESS

1404 Old Aberdeen Rd

D. CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE

Columbus MS 39701

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*William L. Brown*  
CPSC Form 206 (9/79)

*[Signature]*  
U.S. GPO 1979-422-367-0004

# RECALL EFFECTIVENESS CHECK - SUMMARY

1. TO: ATTN: Recall Coordinator 2. RN/ID # STI # 97052BCCA 4306
3. MIS: 32624
4. FROM: Willie L Brown JR  
INVESTIGATOR MS OFFICE
5. HOURS EXPENDED 1 TRAVEL 2
6. TYPE OF FOLLOW-UP: ☒ ON-SITE ☐ TELEPHONE
7. DATE INSPECTED 6-13-97
8. FIRM Name Sears 6676  
INSPECTED: Address 1451 MLK Drive  
Bloomville MS 38764
9. FIRM Name Schumacher Elect. Corp.  
INITIATING Address  
THE RECALL: Chicago, IL
10. PRODUCT RECALLED Die hard Battery Charger
11. HAZARD: Fire
12. TYPE OF CONSIGNEE: ☐ Wholesaler ☒ Retailer ☐ Consumer ☐ Other (Specify)
13. PERSON(S) INTERVIEWED: Name & Title M.R. Jesse Jones Manager  
Name & Title
14. WAS FIRM NOTIFIED  
OF RECALL? ☐ No ☒ Yes METHOD & DATE OF NOTIFICATION E-mail  
RECALL NOTIFICATION PRESENTED TO INVESTIGATOR ☒ No ☐ Yes (Notice date)
15. DID FIRM FOLLOW RECALL INSTRUCTIONS? ☐ N/A ☐ No ☒ Yes  
WAS PRODUCT TAKEN OFF SALE? ☐ No ☒ Yes Date
16. WAS SUB-RECALL INVOLVED? ☐ N/A ☒ No ☐ Yes (If "Yes" discuss details/  
mechanism under "REMARKS")
17. WERE RECALL/REPURCHASE OR CORRECTIVE  
ACTION PLAN NOTIFICATION SIGNS POSTED? ☐ N/A ☐ No ☒ Yes
18. INVENTORY OF RECALLED PRODUCT:
  - a. Initial inventory received of the recalled product
  - b. Inventory at time of notification 9 12
  - c. Inventory at time of inspection 0
  - d. Number of returns 1
19. DISPOSITION OF RECALLED PRODUCT: Return to Man
- NUMBER OF PRODUCTS DISPOSED: 1
20. INJURIES OR COMPLAINTS: ☐ N/A ☒ None ☐ Yes (Report by separate memo)
21. REMARKS:

22. *Willie L Brown Jr* 6-13-97 INVESTIGATOR AND DATE

23. ENDORSEMENT: Recall Conducted

*Robert J. Foca*  
7/25/97

SUPERVISOR AND DATE

U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

NOTICE OF INSPECTION

1. DATE

6-13-97

2. TIME

8:20 A.M. — P.M.

3. FROM (Area Office and Address)

US Consumer Product Safety Commission  
230 South Dearborn St Suite 2944  
Chicago Ill 60604

A. NAME AND TITLE OF INDIVIDUAL

Dease Jones Automotive Manager

B. FIRM NAME

Scars 6674

4. TO

C. NUMBER AND STREET ADDRESS

1651 MLK Drive

D. CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE

Greenville MS 38701

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970528CCA4304	32626	0	Recall Check	FOER
<b>Investigator</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Firm</b>		
	Richard D. Swackhamer	SCHUMACHER ELECTRIC CORP. 7474 N. ROGERS AVENUE CHICAGO, IL 60626		
<b>Assign Date</b>	5/28/97	<b>Victim Name</b>		
<b>Target Date</b>	7/9/97	<b>City</b>		
<b>Revised Target Date</b>		<b>State/Zip</b>		
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		<b>Document Number</b>		
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970528CCA4306	32626	0	Recall Check	FOCR
<b>Investigator</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Firm</b>		
	Eric B. Ault	SCHUMACHER ELECTRIC CORP. 7474 N. ROGERS AVENUE CHICAGO, IL 60626		
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<b>Investigator</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Firm</b>		
	Eric B. Ault	SCHUMACHER ELECTRIC CORP 7474 N. ROGERS AVENUE CHICAGO, IL 60626		
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970528CCA4308	32626	0	Recall Check	FOWR
<b>Investigator</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Firm</b>		
	Lee D. Baxter	SCHUMACHER ELECTRIC CORP. 7474 N ROGERS AVENUE CHICAGO, IL 60626		
<b>Assign Date</b>	5/28/97	<b>Victim Name</b>		
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970528CCA4310	32626	0	Recall Check	MASC
<b>Investigator</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Firm</b>		
	Bruce E. Schwartz	SCHUMACHER ELECTRIC CORP. 7474 N ROGERS AVENUE CHICAGO, IL 60626		
<b>Assign Date</b>	<b>5/28/97</b>	<b>Victim Name</b>		
<b>Target Date</b>	<b>7/9/97</b>	<b>City</b>		
<b>Revised Target Date</b>		<b>State/Zip</b>		
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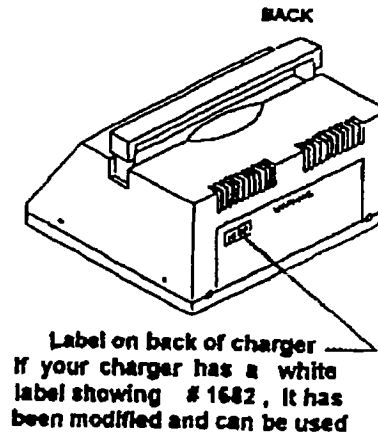
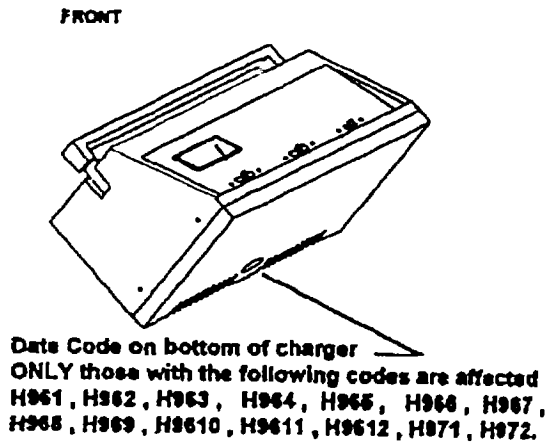
### CPSC, Schumacher Announce Recall of Sears Battery Chargers

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Schumacher Electric Corp. of Chicago, Ill., is recalling about 100,000 Sears DieHard battery chargers. The battery charger has a wiring connection that could short and cause the transformer to overheat. This poses a potential fire hazard.

CPSC is aware of one alleged incident of a fire involving this battery charger. No injuries resulted.

The Sears DieHard battery charger being recalled is model number 200.71310 manufactured between January 1996 and February 1997. The model number is located on the front of the charger and the date code (H961 through H972) is molded into the plastic base on the bottom of the charger. Labeling on the front of the charger reads in part, "Sears...Die Hard...Fully Automatic Battery Charger Engine Starter." Battery chargers that have a white sticker on the back of the charger displaying number 1682 have already been modified and are not involved in this recall.

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Sears Automotive Centers, Sears Hardware stores, and Sears Dealer stores sold these battery chargers from January 1996 through February 1997 for about \$65.

Consumers should immediately stop using these battery chargers and return them to the nearest Sears Auto Center, Sears Hardware store, or Sears Dealer store for a free replacement. For more information about this recall, consumers should call 1-800-SEARS64.

No other Sears battery chargers are involved in this recall.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission protects the public from unreasonable risks of injury or death from 15,000 types of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury and for information on CPSC's fax-on-demand service, call CPSC's hotline at (800) 638-2772 or CPSC's teletypewriter at (800) 638-8270. To order a press release through fax-on-demand, call (301) 504-0051 from the handset of your fax machine and enter the release number. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's web site at <http://www.cpsc.gov> or via Internet gopher services at [cpsc.gov](http://cpsc.gov). Consumers can report product hazards to [info@cpsc.gov](mailto:info@cpsc.gov).

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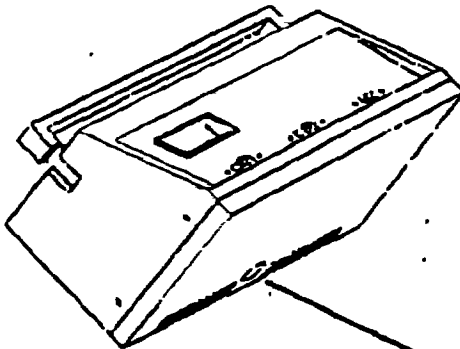
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Sign: To be posted in Sears store

## IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTICE

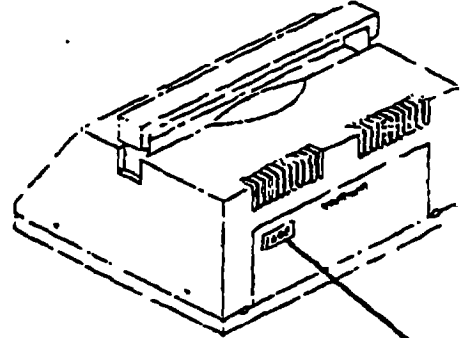
RECALL OF DIEHARD AUTOMATIC 6/12 VOLT  
BATTERY CHARGER ENGINE STARTER 10/2/60 AMP  
SEARS MODEL 200.71310

FRONT



Date Code on bottom of charger  
ONLY those with the following codes are affected  
H961, H962, H963, H964, H965, H966, H967,  
H968, H969, H9610, H9611, H9612, H971, H972.

BACK



Label on back of charger  
If your charger has a white  
label showing # 1682, it has  
been modified and can be used

### POTENTIAL HAZARD

Under certain circumstances there is a potential overheating and possible smoke/fire hazard.

### IDENTIFICATION

The model number is located on the front of the charger. The production Date Code is molded into the plastic base of the charger. Only those chargers with date codes from January 1996 through February 1997 (H961...H972, as indicated above) are affected. If the charger is marked with a White label on the back of the charger with # 1682, the charger has been modified and does not need to be returned.

### CORRECTIVE ACTION

If you have one of these chargers ( without the white label and within the affected date code) , bring it to your nearest Sears Auto Center , Sears Hardware Store or Dealer Store where it can be exchanged for a new charger free of charge.

**INQUIRES: 1 800 SEARS 64**

Removal 60 days after posting.

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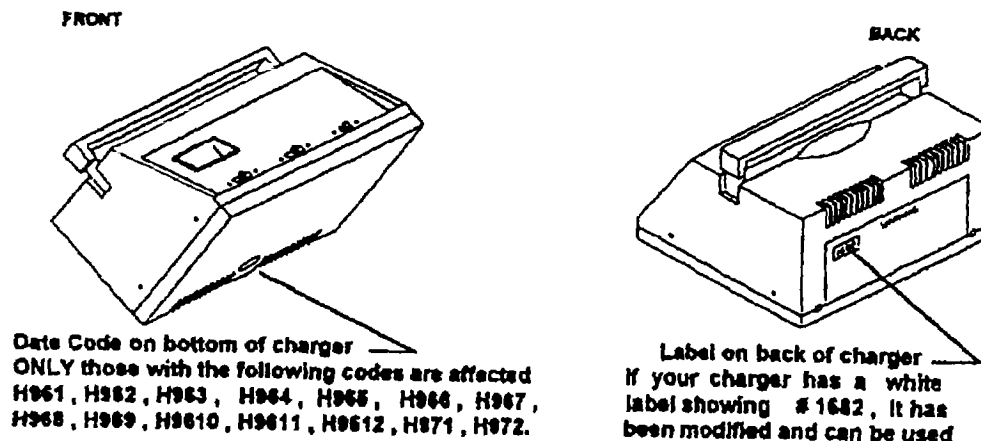
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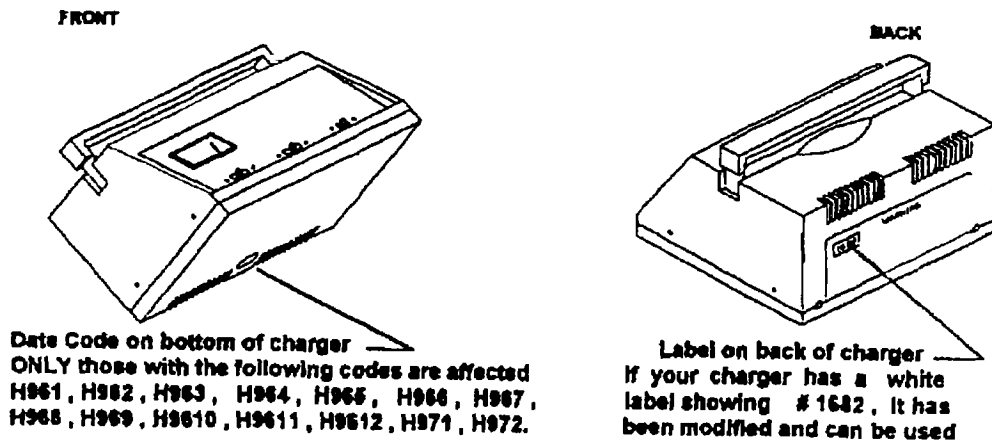
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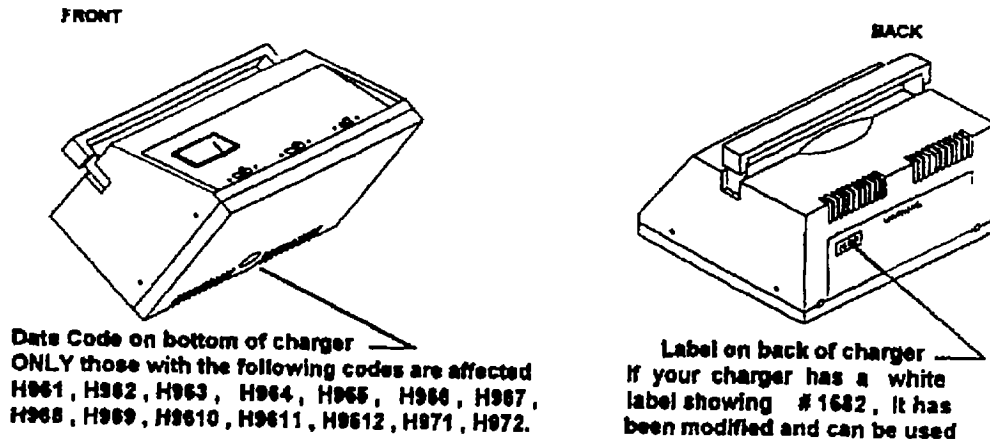
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#### ANY INJURIES OR FIRES?

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#### LINE DRAWING SHOWING DATE CODE AND MODEL NUMBER

Sears automotive centers, hardware stores, and dealers sold these battery chargers from MONTH YEAR to MONTH YEAR for about \$COST.

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